



Junior School News

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Our Regional Readers' Cup team consisting of (L-R) Ted Fawckner, William Smith, Lawson Booth and Max Durkin, all in Year 6, won this competition at the end of last term. Congratulations boys!



From the Head of Junior School

Dear Parents

It was nice to welcome the boys back to school following the mid-year holiday. I hope all families enjoyed some rest and relaxation during this time.

New Students

As a school community we welcome six new students to the Junior School. Farai Bvumbura (1S), Nathaniel Barons (2M), Isaac Whitcombe (3G), Tristahn Hearn (4B), Thomas Whitcombe (6H) and Sam Hoffensetz (6V) commenced their schooling with us this week. I extend a very warm welcome to the boys and their families and wish them a long and happy association with Toowoomba Grammar School.

Staffing

Our School is a member of the Queensland Association of Mathematics Teachers (QAMT) which provides us with a range of benefits and access to professional education. During the holidays, Mr Rob Jeffries (Years 4 - 6 Co-ordinator and Year 6 teacher) both attended and presented at the QAMT State Conference. Mr Jeffries' presentation examined the use of mathematical investigations and alternative assessment methods to the traditional pencil and paper maths test. This included a focus on 'hands on' assessment, a very boy friendly way of demonstrating mathematical understanding. I congratulate Mr Jeffries for being invited to present at this significant conference and for his role with mathematics education at our School.

We welcome Mrs Van Itterbeeck (French teacher, part-time) back from long service leave. Mrs Van Itterbeeck will teach French to our younger boys from Prep to Year 4 this semester.

Mr George Brown, a GAP student from England, commenced work in the Junior School this week. Mr Brown resides in Corfe House, the Junior Boarding House, works within the Junior School and assists with boarding. I welcome him to our School.

Regional Readers' Cup Champions

At the end of last term a team of four Junior School boys competed in the Regional Readers' Cup competition. This is a reading competition that sees some of the best and brightest primary school children in Toowoomba and from across the region compete for a trophy titled the 'Readers' Cup'. The boys took out first place after a tense competition. This is the first time in the cup's history that an all boys' team has won. I congratulate Lawson Booth, Max Durkin, Ted Fawckner and William Smith, along with our Junior School Librarian (and coach), Miss Michelle Worthington on this fine achievement.

Academic Awards Assembly

Our Semester One Academic Awards Assembly will be held next week on Thursday 20 July. Writing Competition Awards (first, second and third) and Academic Awards will be presented at this special occasion. This formal assembly will commence at 8.40am in the Junior School Hall and parents are most welcome to attend. Consequently, there will not be a normal weekly assembly on the same afternoon. Letters have been sent home to parents of all award recipients.

Semester One Reports

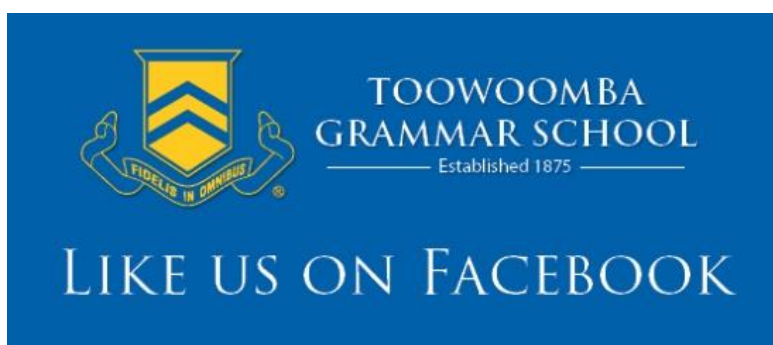
I welcomed the boys back to school on Tuesday morning and made mention of their Semester One Reports. At this time I asked the boys to think about their reports and any advice that was offered from their teachers about areas in which to improve. I then suggested not to waste a single day of school before putting this into action. Reinforcing this on the home front is a great way of making your son's report a document of action, not simply one to be filed away.

Boys

It is always good to have the boys back at school. Having visited most classrooms since the start of the week, I have heard some wonderful stories about the holidays. I have also seen boys fully engaged with their class work, with music, art, woodwork and in PE. Our school is an interesting and vibrant place for boys!

Regards

Scott Campbell
Head of Junior School



From the Deputy Head of Junior School

Students at School before 8.00am and after 3.30pm

Your son is asked to wait in the breeze-way just outside the front office if he arrives before 8.00am. Teachers are not on duty until then. After-school supervision for boys is until 3.30pm. There will be no one to supervise students after this time. In the interest of the safety and well-being of your sons, we request that you collect your sons prior to this time. Co-curricular activities, such as Fitness and Chess Club, are exceptions to this. If boys have not been collected by 3.30pm, they will be taken to After-School Care and the fee will be charged to your school account. Thank you for your understanding in these matters.

Winter Uniform

The boys are required to wear winter uniform in Term 3. The long sleeve shirt is not a compulsory item. When the weather is colder, your son must wear the school jumper as the first item of selection. If he needs more warm clothing, a navy blue or black t-shirt may be worn under the school shirt and he may also wear his vest under the school jumper. For inclement weather the boys may wear the dark navy track suit top over their school jumper.

Prep: Sports shorts, short or long sleeve Prep shirt and tracksuit.

Years 1 - 3: Long blue trousers, short or long sleeve blue shirt and soft broad brim hat.

Years 4 - 6: Long blue trousers, short or long sleeve blue shirt and Akubra.

Friday is sports day. All boys wear Golds on this day. Golds include the school sport shirt, sport shorts, white TGS socks and predominately white sneakers. The TGS tracksuit may be worn if your son is cold. If your son runs out of white TGS socks, plain white shin high socks (crewe length) may be worn. Anklets or no socks are not acceptable. Boys are not to wear the TGS Hoodie to school during the week.

School Banking

School Banking (Commonwealth Dollarmite Accounts) continues to operate with Dollarmite account deposits being dropped off at the office each Tuesday morning in the collection box. For those students who don't yet have a school banking account with the Commonwealth Bank, parents are asked that they look online via the CBA website for this information and open accounts online accordingly. The program also offers financial benefits for our school. These include \$5 for every account opened. Students also receive various rewards for deposit targets reached. Please encourage your son to open a Dollarmite account and make regular deposits.

Nude Food Day

Just a reminder that Nude Food Day occurs each Tuesday in the Junior School. The boys are encouraged to bring to school food that is not prepacked for morning tea and lunch.

Peanut Allergy

Toowoomba Grammar School, similarly to most schools in the Australia, has students with life-threatening allergies to nuts. Should these students ingest or come into contact with peanuts or food items containing peanuts or other types of nuts, the boys will suffer a severe allergic reaction that is potentially life-threatening. This includes a trace of nut residue on their skin via contact with packaging materials. I respectfully request that parents refrain from sending their sons to school with peanut butter sandwiches or peanut or nut based food items including snack bars. Additionally, boys are not to share their food with each other at school.

Mike Sharpe

Deputy Head of Junior School



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From the Head of Teaching and Learning

The Junior School's Academic Program focusses on the development, consolidation and extension of each boy's academic potential. Teachers encourage each boy to extend his area of passion while assisting with the development of skills in areas that are challenging. During Term 3, the boys will be involved in a variety of programs that will require them to think creatively and work collaboratively. Some of the programs scheduled for this term include boys in Years 3 to 6 participating in the ICAS English and Mathematics Competitions, Book Week activities and the annual Year 3 Billy Cart Day. In addition to the work completed in class, the Big Thinking Program and learning support classes will continue to foster the development of each boy's academic potential. I look forward to working with the teachers and boys as they participate in Term 3 activities.

Writing Competition Award Winners

The Junior School Writing Competition was conducted last term with all boys from Prep to Year 6 participating. The text type varied across the year levels. The boys had to work through the writing process, first understanding the structure required for their text type then planning, drafting, proofing, editing and finally producing a finished piece of writing. The prizes on offer are significant, with first place in each class being awarded a trophy and a book voucher and second and third place boys receiving medallions. In addition, several boys in each class also receive Highly Commended certificates.

The boys' writing went to independent judges for assessment. The judges, Mrs Shelley Clews and Mrs Heidi Rusell, made some very positive comments to Junior School staff about the boys' writing. I thank these ladies for judging this year's competition. Congratulations to all boys who participated in the writing competition during Term 2. The results are detailed below and on the following page.

Jan Heffernan

Head of Teaching and Learning

Prep G

First Place	Joseph Ramia
Second Place	Hiresh Wanasinghe
Third Place	Kyran Brown
Highly Commended	William Sanderson
Highly Commended	Suhaan Chowdhury

1S

First Place	Noah Brannelly
Second Place	Aarush Sharma
Third Place	Luke Beddoes
Highly Commended	Jackson Martin
Highly Commended	Brock Farrell
Highly Commended	Marcus Crane

2M

First Place	Aseel Eisa
Second Place	Beau Hamilton
Third Place	Akshaj Kumar
Highly Commended	Samriddh Srivastava
Highly Commended	Aiden Zhang
Highly Commended	Alby Galbraith

3M

First Place	Zackery Brown
Second Place	Pierce Hadfield
Third Place	Riley Sutcliffe
Highly Commended	Kurt Seckler
Highly Commended	Xavier Thompson
Highly Commended	Rory Webster

4W

First Place	James Nicholls
Second Place	Jett Heffernan
Third Place	Sean Fischer
Highly Commended	Frazer Wilkie
Highly Commended	Charlie Barnes
Highly Commended	Ryan Williams

Prep M

First Place	Devan Pokharel
Second Place	Eric Zhang
Third Place	Connor Gilmore
Highly Commended	Reshan Wickramasekera
Highly Commended	Thomas Byatt

1W

First Place	Ethan Thompson
Second Place	Harry Johansen
Third Place	Jace Maddock
Highly Commended	Hamish Brown
Highly Commended	Toby Wysel
Highly Commended	Hamish Popple

3G

First Place	George Clifford
Second Place	Theo Yevdokimov
Third Place	Mitchell Wilkes
Highly Commended	Oliver Shelton
Highly Commended	Tui Rei
Highly Commended	Lachlan Haller

4B

First Place	Angus Dann
Second Place	Hammond Briggs
Third Place	Phineas Bierhoff
Highly Commended	Andrew Kisiel
Highly Commended	Hayden Fellenberg
Highly Commended	Charles Lachmund

5L

First Place	Jackson Smiddy
Second Place	Damon Bronkhurst
Third Place	Angus Thompson
Highly Commended	Joel Ewing
Highly Commended	Dallas Baker
Highly Commended	Isaac Crozier

5W		6H	
First Place	Andrew Shelton	First Place	Samuel Gladwin
Second Place	Joshua Zahra	Second Place	Nicholas Clulow
Third Place	Henry Paton	Third Place	Tom Knudsen
Highly Commended	Oliver Clifford	Highly Commended	Ted Fawckner
Highly Commended	Hamish Johnson	Highly Commended	Benjamin Anderson
Highly Commended	Marcus Seckler	Highly Commended	William Anderson
6J		6V	
First Place	Thomas Dixon	First Place	James Watson
Second Place	Hugh Russell	Second Place	Tom Charles
Third Place	Riley O'Leary	Third Place	Walter Tinkler
Highly Commended	Lachlan McNamee	Highly Commended	Hugh Pollock
Highly Commended	Matthew Moore	Highly Commended	Samuel Freer
Highly Commended	Darcy Neville	Highly Commended	Charlie Randall

Library News

Darling Downs Readers' Cup 2017

On the last Tuesday of term two, Glennie hosted the Darling Downs Readers' Cup. Readers' Cup challenges students to read widely and work collaboratively in a team. It also allows readers to meet other students with an equal passion for books. A team of four Year 6 students from seventeen regional schools competed by reading five books over a school term. On competition night, they answered questions as a team on each of the books.

Our boys showed excellent teamwork in their preparation and their self-managed, committed approach this year was delightful. I am very proud not only of their dedication and confidence but especially their manner and co-operation. I thoroughly enjoyed working with them as a team and individually.

The competition was a nail biter with all four boys concentrating with their heads down battling it out until the last set of questions for the final book. Each round is worth sixteen points (two points per question). After the first round, the boys had scored fourteen points and were the highest scoring team in that round. In the second round, the boys scored a total of eleven points. At the end of round two, the boys were tied with Glenvale State School (who have won the Regional Readers' Cup for the last three consecutive years). The boys scored a perfect score in round three. In round four they scored twelve points and managed to finish the competition with a perfect score in round five. At the end of the competition, the boys finished triumphantly with a total of 69 points, followed closely by Glenvale State School with 65 points.

The boys will now participate in the State Final in Ipswich on Wednesday 6 September. The boys will represent the Darling Downs region and compete against seventeen teams from all over Queensland. This is an exciting time for both the boys and the school.

Our school has a proud tradition of participating in the "Readers' Cup". This event is run annually by the Queensland branch of the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) and involves students from state and private schools from across Queensland. To learn more about Readers' Cup, visit the website www.readerscup.org.au

Michelle Worthington
Librarian

Sports News

Ballgames Carnival

At the end of last term, the five Houses competed for the Ballgames Shield in traditional ballgames, football and touch football. The boys and staff had a great time and the day was a lot of fun for everyone. Congratulations to Groom House who were the Champion House.

Draws and Information

GPS sport commences this Saturday with our rugby and basketball teams travelling to Brisbane Grammar School. The Darling Downs Junior Rugby competition recommences this Saturday with a carnival at TACAPS. The Toowoomba Primary School sport will begin on Friday 21 July at various venues across Toowoomba. We will send the draw and game time home each Thursday when they have been finalised.

Term 3 Sporting Teams

GPS Rugby	Under 12A and Under 12B, teams announced each Thursday
GPS Rugby	Under 11A and Under 11B
GPS Basketball	Year 5 and Year 6
TPSSA Football	Senior A, Senior B, Junior A, Junior B and Junior B1
Club Rugby	Under 6, Under 7, Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10

Swimming

The "Learn to Swim" classes for Prep to Year 3 will recommence next week.

Tuesday	11.00am - 11.45am	3G
	1.30pm - 2.15pm	2M
	2.15pm - 3.00pm	Prep G
Wednesday	11.00am - 11.45am	1W
	11.45am - 12.30pm	3M
	1.30pm - 2.15pm	1S
	2.15pm - 3.00pm	Prep M

The Year 4 - Year 6 boys will have swimming in their HPE lessons from Week 2 - Week 6.

Sport Uniforms

It is important that the boys have the correct uniform for the various PE and sporting teams in which they are involved. Boys who do not have the correct uniform will not be allowed to participate when representing the School. If you or your son is unclear as to what is required for PE classes or his sporting team, please contact me on 4687 2555.

PE Classes

1. Swimming: TGS togs (speedos or bike pants), TGS towel, TGS swimming bag, TGS swimming House cap.
2. Oval: Golds uniform, TGS sport socks, TGS bucket hat/cap and TGS tracksuit.

Sporting Teams

1. Football: TGS football socks (Yellow), TGS blue football shorts (teams that play Friday sport) TGS football jersey (supplied), TGS bucket hat/cap and TGS tracksuit.
2. Rugby: TGS jersey, Golds uniform, TGS rugby socks, TGS bucket hat/cap and TGS tracksuit. The TGS hoodie is optional and can be worn to GPS sport on a Saturday.
3. Basketball: TGS basketball shorts, TGS sport socks, TGS singlet (supplied) and TGS tracksuit. The TGS hoodie is optional and can be worn to GPS sport on a Saturday.

David Anderson
Sportsmaster

Music News

Welcome back to Term 3. We have an exciting list of performances this term for our young musicians.

Toowoomba Eisteddfod (Part 2)

The following Junior School Ensembles will be performing at the Eisteddfod:

Brass Ensemble
Jazz Band
Chamber Winds
Orchestra
Concert Band
Introductory Band
Brass Trio A
Brass Trio B

Saxophone Quartet
Flute Quartet
Clarinet Quartet
String Ensemble
Year 2 String Orchestra
Year 4 Concert Band
Year 5 Class music
Percussion Ensemble

Please find below our Toowoomba Eisteddfod program:

Session Date/ Time	Venue	Section and competitor number	Ensemble
Friday 28 July, 1.30pm	Empire Church Theatre	Primary Woodwind Ensemble, Section 461 Competitor 1	Chamber Wind Ensemble (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)
Friday 28 July, 1.30pm	Empire Church Theatre	Primary Woodwind Ensemble, Section 461 Competitor 5	Flute Quartet (Conductor, Mrs Melissa Buchholz)
Friday 28 July, 1.30pm	Empire Church Theatre	Primary Woodwind Trio/Quartet, Section 416 Competitor 1	Flute Quartet (Conductor, Mrs Melissa Buchholz)
Friday 28 July, 1.30pm	Empire Church Theatre	Primary Woodwind Trio/Quartet, Section 416 Competitor 6	Saxophone Quartet (Conductor, Mrs Melissa Buchholz)
Friday 28 July, 1.30pm	Empire Church Theatre	Primary Woodwind Trio/Quartet, Section 416 Competitor 8	Clarinet Trio (Conductor, Mrs Melissa Buchholz)
Friday 28 July, 5.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary School Orchestra, Section 449 Competitor 1	Orchestra (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)
Friday 28 July, 5.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary School String B Grade Ensemble Section 451 Competitor 1	Year 2 String Orchestra (Conductor, Mrs Celia Egerton)
Friday 28 July, 5.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary School String B Grade Ensemble Section 451 Competitor 9	String Ensemble (Conductor, Mrs Celia Egerton)

Session Date/ Time	Venue	Section and competitor number	Ensemble
Sunday 30 July, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary Small Concert Band, Section 455, Competitor 2	Introductory Band (Conductor, Mrs Kellie Dixon)
Sunday 30 July, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary Stage Band, Section 456, Competitor 3	Jazz Band (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)

Session Date/ Time	Venue	Section and competitor number	Ensemble	Arrival time
Monday 31 July, 9.00am	Empire Theatre Studio	Primary Brass Trio/Quartet, Section 418, Competitor 1	Brass Trio A (Conductor, Mrs Elizabeth Crook)	Boys will depart school via bus at 8.30am. As boys will also be performing in the afternoon session with Concert Band, we will remain at the theatre for the day. Brass boys will return to school at 3.00pm with the members of Concert Band. Please ensure that your son brings a book to read between sections, a packed lunch, water bottle and snacks.
Monday 31 July, 9.00am	Empire Theatre Studio	Primary Brass Trio/Quartet, Section 418, Competitor 2	Brass Trio B (Conductor, Mrs Elizabeth Crook)	
Monday 31 July, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary B Grade Concert Band, Section 454, Competitor 1	Year 4 Concert Band (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)	Boys will depart the school via bus at 12.45pm. It is expected that this section will conclude at 3.00pm. Boys will return to school via bus at 3.15pm.
Monday 31 July, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary B Grade Concert Band, Section 454, Competitor 4	Concert Band (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)	

Session Date/ Time	Venue	Section and competitor number	Ensemble	Arrival time
Thursday 3 August, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary Brass Ensemble, Section 462, Competitor 2	Brass Ensemble (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)	Boys will depart school via bus at 12.45pm. Year 5 and Brass Ensemble members will return to school at 2.45pm.
Thursday 3 August, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary Recorder or Orff Ensemble, Section 460, Competitor 2	Year 5 Music (Conductor, Mrs Jayne Davidson)	Members of Percussion Ensemble will return to school by 3.15pm. Boys will depart school via bus at 12.45pm.
Thursday 3 August, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary Recorder or Orff Ensemble, Section 460, Competitor 5	Percussion Ensemble (Conductor, Mrs Kellie Dixon)	Year 5 and Brass Ensemble members will return to school at 2.45pm.
Thursday 3 August, 1.30pm	Empire Theatre Auditorium	Primary School Percussion Ensemble, Section 459, Competitor 1	Percussion Ensemble (Conductor, Mrs Kellie Dixon)	Members of Percussion Ensemble will return to school by 3.15pm.

Musicians' Cup

The Musicians' Cup will be held on Thursday 20 July in the Junior School Hall. This adjudicated event is open for boys who have been learning an instrument in private tuition for at least twelve months, from Years 4-6. The evening will commence at 6.00pm. Students and parents are most welcome to attend the performance evening to applaud our young musicians.

GPS Music Day of Excellence

Congratulations to the boys who have been selected to perform as part of the GPS Music Day of Excellence Concert Band and Choir. This performance will be held at Nudgee College on Tuesday 1 August.

Kellie Dixon and Jayne Davidson
Music Teachers

Junior School Supporters' Group

Parents and Friends' Association and Junior School Supporters' Group meeting dates:

Term 3

6.00pm	Monday 17 July Week 2A	Junior School Supporters' Group Meeting, Junior School Staffroom
7.00pm	Tuesday 25 July Week 3B	Parents and Friends' Association Meeting, Pavilion
7.00pm	Tuesday 29 August Week 8A	Parents and Friends' Association Meeting, Pavilion

Junior School Supporters' Group

Assembly Awards Term 3, Week 1

Mrs Jones

Tom Knudsen 6H
Ethan Mullins 6H
Max Payne-Bailey 6H
John Ridgway 6H
Mayukh Kakar 6H
Sean Benny 6H
Cole Tweedy 6H
Lucas Lansbury 6J
Lachlan McNamee 6J
Darcy Neville 6J
Harrison Pratt 6J
Sam Freer 6V
Ryan Grimes 6V

Jaydahn Hearn 6V
Ritvik Karmakar 6V
Fergus McIlveen 6V
Chace Oates 6V
Hugh Pollock 6V
Noah Taylor 6V
Ryan Thornton 6V
Walter Tinkler 6V
Fergus Walker 6V
James Watson 6V
Luke Williams 6V
Jeremy Zuyderwyk 6V



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House Points

Boyce 105
Groom 87
Stephens 80
Taylor 79
Mackintosh 78



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PREP-12 OPEN DAY

Friday, 4 August | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Guided tours of the Junior and Senior Schools
commence at 9:00am and 11:00am from the Pavilion

Please RSVP to:

Mrs Kelly Charles

Enrolments Assistant

Phone: (07) 4687 2517

Email: k.charles@twgs.qld.edu.au

Or register online

www.twgs.qld.edu.au



Term 3 Week 2A	
Monday 17 July	Junior School Chess Championship commences
	Junior School Supporters' Group Meeting, 6.00pm
Tuesday 18 July	Photos of Sons and Grandsons of Old Boys (students only), Blazer Uniform for these boys only
	Mates Programme, 1.35pm
Wednesday 19 July	Staff Meeting, 3.30pm - 5.00pm
	IPSHA Toowoomba Leaders' Dinner. 6.15pm - 8.15pm
Thursday 20 July	Blazer Uniform
	Junior School Semester One Academic Awards Assembly, Junior School Hall, 8.40am - 9.30am
	Musicians' Cup, 6.00pm - 8.30pm
Friday 21 July	Orchestra rehearsal, 8.30am, Music Room
Saturday 22 July	GPS Rugby and Basketball vs TSS. Home
Sunday 23 July	

Term 3 Week 3B	
Monday 24 July	
Tuesday 25 July	Blazer Uniform
	Whole school photo, times TBC
	Parents and Friends' Association Meeting, Pavilion, 7.00pm
Wednesday 26 July	Blazer Uniform
	Whole School photo TBC
	Staff Meeting, 3.30pm - 5.00pm
Thursday 27 July	Blazer Uniform
	Newsletter
	Orchestra rehearsal, 10.50am, Music Room
	Assembly: Prep to Year 6 (Year 2 classes presenting), 2.20pm
Friday 28 July	Beanies for Brain Cancer Fundraiser
	Eisteddfod String Trio, 8.40am - 10.00am
	Eisteddfod - Chamber winds, flute quartet, saxophone quartet, clarinet trio, 12.45pm - 3.15pm
	Eisteddfod - Orchestra, 4.45pm - 6.00pm
	Eisteddfod - Year 2 String Orchestra and String Ensemble, 5.30pm - 7.00pm
Saturday 29 July	GPS Rugby and Basketball vs Nudgee College. Away
Sunday 30 July	Eisteddfod - Introductory Band, 1.00pm - 2.30pm
	Eisteddfod - Jazz Band, 1.30pm - 3.15pm

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